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Interview Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Aaron L Enatsky

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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(2) Sorinel Cimpoes.

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Date of Interview: 13 July 2004.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☐ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 14.

Identification of prior art discussed: JP-0084168 to Heiwa.

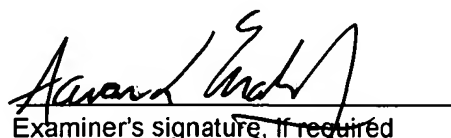
Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Examiner's signature, if required

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant wished to discuss the reference Heiwa and how it is allegedly different from the instant claims. Applicant believes that the reason for reducing the noise in a game machine is different than Applicant's ambient noise reduction. Examiner asserts that reducing noise in a game machine is the same as reducing ambient noise, since ambient noise is produced by a game machine. Examiner will take under advisement Applicant's assertions when reviewing a response to the non-final rejection of paper 10, dated 5/5/04..